#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

# The Maryland Department of Natural Resources Fishing and Boating Services

2023 Commercial Atlantic Menhaden Quota and Season — Effective 2/25/2023

# WHAT THIS NOTICE DOES

The Secretary of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources announces the quota and season for the commercial Atlantic menhaden fishery. Effective at 12:01 a.m. February 25, 2023:

- The annual total allowable landings of Atlantic menhaden for Maryland are 5,947,968 pounds.
- The season is open January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023.

### WHY THIS IS NECESSARY

This is necessary to implement the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission Interstate Fishery Management Plan for Atlantic Menhaden. The total allowable landings have been revised due to Delaware relinquishing a portion of their quota.

## WHO THIS NOTICE AFFECTS

This applies to all individuals who catch Atlantic menhaden commercially.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The 2023 quota may be adjusted pending final 2022 landings. If the quota is adjusted a new notice will be issued.

#### **AUTHORITY**

Code of Maryland Regulations 08.02.05.07

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